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DO THE POLLS INFLUENCE THE SIZE OF THE VOTE?

Many of us are impressed by the degree of accuracy reached by the various "polls" of public opinion. They are able to tell you in advance (as also how things are going in the public mind. The current "poll" is vastly improved over that of the ill-fated Literary Digest in 1936.

It was not necessary to wait until Tuesday night to find out which of the parties would win the presidential election — the "poll" had it all figured out. There were "doubtful" spots, to be sure. Virginia was in a way in the uncertain group. But the overall figures were fairly clear many weeks ago.

May we suggest one more "poll." We would like to know how many American did not bother to vote on Tuesday, because they took the attitude of "What's the use? It's all cut and dried for so and so any way." Uncertainty arouses interest. People love excitement. Would they go to a ball game if they knew in advance what the score would be? We are attempting to answer the question, We're just asking: Does the public opinion poll extract the glamor from elections and tend to either create "bandwagon" or reduce minority votes out of sheer futility?

HOUSE REAPPORTIONMENT

(Roanoke World-News)

Virginia will neither gain nor lose in its Congressional representation as a result of population shifts, according to preliminary estimates issued by the Bureau of the Census. The chief gain will be in California, into which some three million people—nearly as many as live in the State of Virginia—have migrated since the 1940 enumeration.

Under present law the House of Representatives is composed of 435 members, the seats being apportioned to the states on a mathematical basis after each decennial census. There is, of course, still time for many of those who have moved to California to return East. And the vast growth in the Houston region of Texas is to be taken into consideration.

If population changes are of interest now as long may effect the make-up of Congress after 1950, when the first census for future presidential elections. For each state is entitled to as many electoral votes as its representatives in both houses of Congress.

If present trends continue it is estimated that seven states would gain one or more House members and that twelve states would lose one. Large California expects to add seven House seats for a total of forty, thus placing it in third place among the states in population and in representation in Congress. It will be close behind Pennsylvania, which may lose one of its present thirty-three seats.

New York, the largest state, with the largest House delegation of forty-five members, may lose two. It is certainly a difficult problem of reapportionment, for upstate New York is already jealous of the growing voting power of the metropolitan area of New York City. Since Henry Wallace expects to smother one-third of his entire vote in the United States from New York City it is not hard to see why the more conservative elders of the State are opposed to be overruled by their radical metropolis.

States which gain seats in the House of Representatives under present census estimates, as reported to the House Civil Service Committee, are: California, seven; and Florida, Indiana, Michigan, Oregon, Texas and Washington, one each.

States which would lose seats under a new enumeration, if present population trends continue until 1950 are: New York, two; and Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and Tennessee, one each.

AWKWARD AGE

(Boy's Life)

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By DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: The Book of Job.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Job 23:3-10.

Drama in the Bible

Lesson for November 7, 1948

THOMAS CARLYLE, a crusty dyspeptic but a literary artist of no small skill, was visiting a Christian friend. In the morning at family prayers (so the story goes) his host put into his hands a copy of the Bible and asked him to read a chapter. Carlyle opened at the first chapter of Job; read it—read on to the next and the next and the next — and refused to stop reading till he had finished all 42 chapters.

Dr. Foreman

Job is like that. It is a book you hate to put down. In all the Bible it is the outstanding example of the drama; a drama of conflict in which the opposing forces are not people as much as ideas.

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The Characters

THE characters at first are three: God, Satan and a man named Job. Job is a good man, in fact God calls him perfect. He is also prosperous, and thereby hangs the tale. For one fateful day God and Satan have a conversation about this man. The Lord inquires if Satan has seen him, and how good he is. Oh yes, Satan says airily, he has seen him, but he does not think highly of his "goodness." He is too well paid for it. He has a large and happy family, and has immense wealth; why shouldn't he be good? Take away his prosperity and he will curse you to your face, Satan sneers.

So God lets Satan work his malice on the man. In a terrible series of disasters, one rushing on another's heels everything Job has owned vanishes. His children are killed by storm and fire, and Job is left a childless, penniless man. But Job does not complain; his faith in God still does not waver.

So when next Satan reports to God, the Almighty asks again: Did you see my servant Job? He holds fast to his integrity. Ah, yes, sneers the unbelieving fiend. Yes, but he still has his health. He can have another family, another fortune. Make life itself so miserable that he will long to die, and then you will see his goodness vanish, then he surely will curse you to your face.

So God let Satan do his worst—Do all you can to him, God says, only leave him alive. And then Job is made horribly and painfully ill, he cannot sleep for the torture of boils covering him from head to foot. Three of his friends come to visit him. For seven days they sit in silence, and then begins a great debate with Job on one side and his friends on the other: Why must such things be? Why must good people suffer?

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Was Job Real?

DON'T ask: Was Job a real character, or a made-up one like Hamlet and Macbeth? It is very likely there was once upon a time some man by that name who suffered in that way, and that he had friends, not too sympathetic, who talked it over with him.

As Hamlet and Macbeth were historical characters, whom Shakespeare used with high art to express profound ideas, so the author of Job may well have used the trials of some man he knew, or knew of, to express truths about a problem as profound and widespread as the human race.

For Job most surely is real: his local name may be Smith or Jones, and he may be living just around the corner from you. Indeed, sooner or later every man's name is Job. Sooner or later, every thoughtful person has to face the tragedy of human suffering: Why must such things be?

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Suffering Is Test

THERE is, however, one solution which comes out in the course of the drama. It is not a theoretical solution: that is, it does not altogether answer the question, WHY must men suffer? It does tell us WHAT we can do about it.

Suffering is a test: A test of man's faith and real goodness. "When he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold," Job says. (23:10.) The test of a ship is not the quiet waters of the harbor but the roaring open sea; the test of a man is not comfort but stress and pain.

To have faith in God only when we are well-fed and softly cushioned is not faith at its best. Faith and goodness prove their reality only when they hold together even when torn by the nails of a cross.

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Russia still exporting chrome ore to United States.

Israeli army clears Arabs from Galilee.

Total of 19 elderly persons killed by poisonous fog in Pennsylvania town.

University of North Carolina to be host to William and Mary in football game Saturday.

Virginia highway death toll for the year has now reached and passed the 560 mark.

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Rocks News

Rocks, Nov. 1.- Farmers are having nice weather for doing their fall work.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Dickerson and children and Mrs. J. W. Dickerson went to Appomattox last Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach and children were visiting Cassie Baldwin last Sunday.

The deacons and pastor met in the home of S. C. Ranson Wednesday night to fix the church budget for the coming year.

A few from Rocks attended the Sunday School meeting at Liberty Thursday night.

Rev. J. S. Moore, of Pamplin, the new superintendent, presided.

A few of the patrons attended the P.-T. A. at Pamplin High School on last Monday night.

Robert Roach and son went to Waynesboro Friday.

Cassie Baldwin went to see her aunt, Mrs. J. Henry Wilkerson, of Prospect Friday. Mrs. Wilkerson is improving after being quite ill.

Quite a few attended the Hallowe'en program at Pamplin Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ranson and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ranson.

A. B. T. U. Study Course was held at Rocks Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Richard Inge taught the class.

The Home Demonstration Club will hold its November meeting with Mrs. Mary Ranson today.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Dickerson and son, Danny, of Brookneal, attended Sunday School at Rocks yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrison and children, of Madisonville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Elder.

J. N. Meadows, of Crewe spent Saturday night and Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Edd Roach.

Friends are sorry to hear that Emmett Dinkins got hurt in a car wreck over the week-end. Also that Cleveland Paulette is in a hospital in Lynchburg.

Little Pearl Katherine Ranson celebrated her first birthday Saturday.

Mrs. Toby Inge called to see Mrs. Robert Roach awhile today.

Sam Rayburn to be new speaker of House of Representatives.

Appomattox is a growing town.

Play safe—drive carefully.

Phone 30 with Personals.

Evergreen

Evergreen, Nov. 2.- Hallowe'en passed off around here with quite a lot of fun. The party the P.-T. A. gave at the school was lots of fun and quite a success.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodge spent Sunday with her parents, at Prospect.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dickerson, of Drakes Branch; Mrs. J. W. Glover and three sons, Robert, Eugene, and Jamie, all of Crewe; and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Staples.

The Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Carter were supper guests last Tuesday night of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner.

Mrs. Luke Ferguson, of Appomattox spent last week with her cousin, Mrs. W. C. Garrett. Mrs. Garrett and Mrs. Ferguson spent Saturday with Mrs. Annie Warriner.

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O. C. Paulette is a patient in the Virginia Baptist Hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Howard Glover and daughter, Bessie Ann, are spending tonight with her father, A. B. Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Blackwell and son visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green Garrett last Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Paulette is able to be out, after being ill with the flu for a week.

Miss Jackie White spent the week end in Farmville visiting relatives.

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